

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

TABOLINA et al.

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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING L-
AMINO ACID USING BACTERIA
BELONGING TO THE GENUS
ESCHERICHIA

Art Unit: 1645

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated August 16, 2006, the Applicant submits the following Response in the above-referenced patent application for consideration. The text of the withdrawn claims is now reflected in the "Amendments to the Claims" section, which is the only difference between this response and that filed June 2, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page two (2).

Remarks begin on page nine (9) of this paper.